



Docket No.: 826 1452

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Ken HASHIMOTO

Serial No. 09/021,370

Group Art Unit: 2876

Confirmation No. 4361

Filed: February 10, 1998

Examiner: D. St. Cyr

For: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CHARGING USING DATA CARRIER**

RESPONSE

*Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231*

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 11, 2002, and having a period for response set to expire on June 11, 2002. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to July 11, 2002.

The following remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-22 and 24-25 are pending and under consideration.

OFFICE ACTION NOT FINAL

As a preliminary matter, it is noted that in a telephone conversation with the Applicant's representative on July 11, 2002, the Examiner indicated that the Office Action mailed March 11, 2002 was non-final.